

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 844

By Hensley

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Tessie McNeely, 2018  
Valedictorian of Lewis County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Tessie McNeely is one such exceptional student, who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2018 graduating class at Lewis County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Tessie McNeely achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including Future Business Leaders of America, which she served as president; HOSA, which she served as secretary; marching band, which she served as drum major for three years; and senior class treasurer; and

WHEREAS, Ms. McNeely attended the Governor's School for the Sciences and Engineering in Chemistry in 2016 and the Maury Academy for Students in Health in 2017; and

WHEREAS, she placed second in statewide competition at the Future Business Leaders of America State Leadership Conference and will participate in the National Leadership Conference this summer; and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at Belmont University, where she plans to pursue a career in medicine; and

WHEREAS, Ms. McNeely's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her mother, Tara Grover McNeely, her school, and her community; her father, the late Jessie McNeely, would also have been proud of Tessie and her many accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Tessie McNeely's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2018 Lewis County High School Valedictorian, Tessie McNeely, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.